

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2588 – HB 3672

February 3, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the owner of a site permitted for surface coal mining to conduct water quality tests on all property adjacent to the site prior to and during mining operations and provide adjoining property owners with the test results. The owner of the permitted site shall bear all costs of testing. If the water quality on adjacent property is degraded by mine damage from the site, the owner of the site is required to provide the affected property with an alternative water source with water quality levels equal to or greater than levels prior to mining operations. Authorizes the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) to promulgate rules and regulations.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumption:

- This bill does not create new regulatory duties for TDEC. Any cost to the TDEC for rule-making can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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